

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

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CRIMINAL NO: 07-352

v.

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SECTION: "N"

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**RANDY DEAN
also known as "PO"**

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FACTUAL BASIS

Should this matter proceed to trial, the United States would prove beyond a reasonable doubt through credible testimony and reliable evidence, that the defendant, **RANDY DEAN, a/k/a "Po,"** was guilty of Count One of the Superseding Bill of Information:

Agents with the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) conducted an investigation into the drug trafficking activities of **RANDY DEAN** and others in the Eastern District of Louisiana and elsewhere. The investigation included the use of information from FBI agents, DEA agents, state and local law enforcement officers, and confidential sources. Agents analyzed pen register information and telephone toll records, conducted surveillance and made controlled narcotics purchases and seizures from members of this drug trafficking conspiracy. All substances obtained from members of the organization tested positive for cocaine hydrochloride or heroin.

The FBI also utilized federal court ordered Title III wiretaps. On June 14, 2007, the

Honorable Kurt D. Engelhardt, United States District Court Judge for the Eastern District of Louisiana, issued an Order authorizing the interception of wire communications made over telephone numbers (504) 609-6787 and (504) 270-3002, utilized by SHELDON DEAN, SHELDON THOMPSON, and XAVIER O'CONNOR. Interception of wire communications to and from (504) 270-3002 continued until July 13, 2007. Interception of wire communications to and from (504) 609-6787 continued until August 11, 2007. Historical state drug arrests and convictions, controlled undercover purchases, and wire intercepts of (504) 270-3002 and (504) 609-6787 revealed that SHELDON DEAN, **RANDY DEAN**, XAVIER O'CONNOR, and SHELDON THOMPSON distributed heroin and other illegal drugs in the Eastern District of Louisiana together and for each other's benefit.

For example, on May 7, 2007, **RANDY DEAN** was arrested by New Orleans Police Department detectives with three foils of a substance that tested positive for heroin and \$722 in U.S. currency. Immediately after his incarceration, **RANDY DEAN** made arrangements from jail for SHELDON DEAN and XAVIER O'CONNOR to get **RANDY DEAN**'s stash of money, heroin, and replacement cell phone with the number that **RANDY DEAN**'s customers knew so that SHELDON DEAN could continue selling heroin for **RANDY DEAN**. Toll records would be introduced to show that prior to and on May 7, 2007, **RANDY DEAN** made numerous calls to (504) 957-2288, the number KEVIN COCKERHAM used to facilitate drug transactions. Prior to his arrest on May 7, 2007, **RANDY DEAN** purchased a distributable quantity of heroin from KEVIN COCKERHAM. Once **RANDY DEAN** went to prison, SHELDON DEAN began calling KEVIN COCKERHAM as a source for heroin. **RANDY DEAN** kept apprised of SHELDON DEAN's heroin dealing with KEVIN COCKERHAM while in prison and advised SHELDON DEAN about it. For example, on

July 19, 2007, agents intercepted a telephone call in which SHELDON DEAN told **RANDY DEAN** that he still had that “9th Ward for him.” Agents interpreted this coded language to mean that SHELDON DEAN had \$9,000 of **RANDY DEAN**’s money while **RANDY DEAN** was in prison. **RANDY DEAN** asked SHELDON DEAN “what are you about to holler at Froggy-ogy [KEVIN COCKERHAM] with?” **RANDY DEAN** told SHELDON DEAN, “. . . you might as well get it all then, I’ll be home in a minute.” Agents interpreted this conversation as one in which **RANDY DEAN** advised SHELDON DEAN to use the money SHELDON DEAN was keeping for **RANDY DEAN** to buy drugs because **RANDY DEAN** believed he would be released from prison soon and able to return to selling drugs on the street.

The undersigned prosecutor and FBI Special Agents assigned to this investigation have done a thorough review of all drug types and quantities provable during the entire course of the conspiracy. The amount of narcotics that **RANDY DEAN** was responsible for distributing or that was reasonably foreseeable to him as being distributed in this case includes a total quantity of at least 1 kilogram but not more than 3 kilograms of heroin.

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